## CASE NUMBER: 20SN0504



**CHESTERFIELD COUNTY, VIRGINIA BERMUDA DISTRICT** 

## STAFF'S ANALYSIS AND RECOMMENDATION

**Board of Supervisors (BOS) Hearing:** 

OCTOBER 23, 2019

**BOS Time Remaining:** 

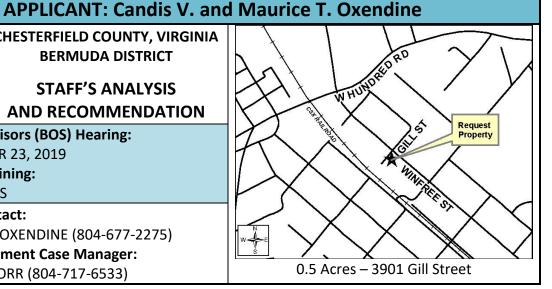
**365 DAYS** 

**Applicant's Contact:** 

CANDIS OXENDINE (804-677-2275)

**Planning Department Case Manager:** 

DARLA ORR (804-717-6533)



### **REQUEST**

Conditional use planned development to permit exceptions to square footage requirements for a detached accessory building in a Residential (R-7) Zoning District. Specifically, the proposed detached accessory structure would exceed the gross square footage of the dwelling.

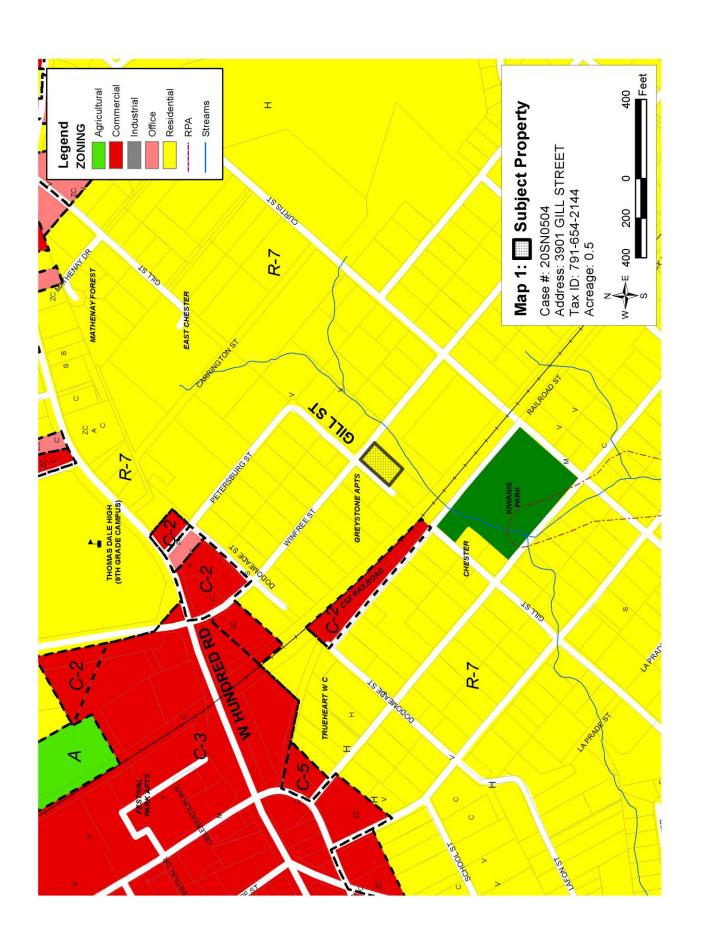
#### Notes:

- A. Conditions may be imposed or the property owner may proffer conditions.
- Conditions and exhibits are located in Attachments 1 3.

#### **SUMMARY**

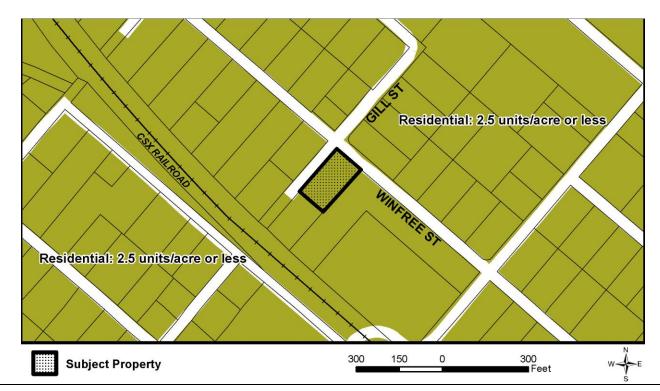
The applicant plans to construct a two-story detached garage on the request property. The proposed garage would contain 2,048 square feet which exceeds the square footage of the existing dwelling (1,813 square feet) by 235 square feet. The second story, while not an independent dwelling unit, would accommodate their son when he visits from college. The location of the structure on the property would comply with all other ordinance requirements.

RECOMMENDATIONS			
PLANNING	APPROVAL		
COMMISSION			
	APPROVAL		
STAFF	Similar requests approved with no known adverse impacts		
	Conditions ensure residential character maintained		

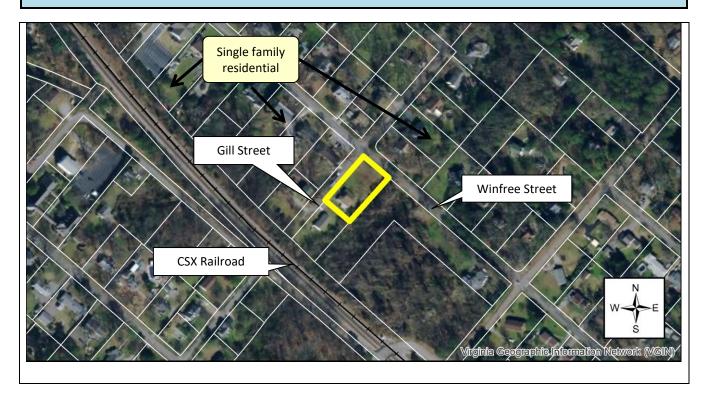


# Comprehensive Plan – THE CHESTER PLAN Classification – Residential: 2.5 dwellings per acre or less

The designation suggests the property is appropriate for single family residential use of 2.5 units per acre or less.



## **Surrounding Land Uses and Development**



#### **PLANNING**

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#### **ZONING HISTORY**

On December 15, 2010, the Board of Supervisors approved an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance relative to the size of accessory buildings in residential districts. Specifically, this amendment was intended to reduce the impact of very large accessory structures on area residential developments to maintain a relationship in scale with the primary dwelling. The resulting ordinance amendment limited the gross square footage of all accessory structures on a lot so as not to exceed that of the primary dwelling.

#### **PROPOSAL**

The request property contains a principal dwelling (1,813 square feet in area). The applicants propose to construct a 2,048 two-story accessory structure. The accessory structure would exceed the square footage of the principal dwelling by 235 square feet. The applicants seek approval of a Conditional Use Planned Development to permit construction of this accessory structure that would exceed the gross square footage of the dwelling.

While the accessory structure would exceed Ordinance standards related to square footage allowed, the large lot size (0.5 acre in Residential (R-7) District) and compliance with all other ordinance requirements (i.e. building setbacks) would reduce the visual impact of the proposed accessory structure. (Site Layout – Attachment 2)

As conditioned, the use should not adversely affect area residential uses. In addition, larger accessory structures have been approved in other residential areas on similarly situated parcels with no apparent adverse impact.

#### FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

Staff Contact: Anthony Batten (804-717-6167) battena@chesterfield.gov

This request will have minimal impact on Fire and EMS.

Nearby Fire and Emergency Medical Service (EMS) Facilities				
Fire Station	The Chester Fire Station, Company Number 1			
EMS Facility	The Chester Fire Station, Company Number 1			

#### **UTILITIES**

Staff Contact: Matthew Rembold (706-7616) remboldm@chesterfield.gov

Existing Water and Wastewater Systems				
Utility Type	Currently Serviced	Size of Closest Existing Lines	Connection Required by County Code	
Water	Yes	8"	Yes	
Wastewater	Yes	8"	Yes	

#### **Additional Utility Comments:**

The request for a detached structure larger than the principal dwelling will not impact the Utilities Department. The applicant has indicated that the detached structure will not meet the definition of a second dwelling unit, therefore, new separate connections to the county water and county wastewater systems are not required. This will be verified with the building permit application and subject to the requirements of the Chesterfield County Code of Ordinances at the time of such application.

The Utilities Department supports this case.

#### **COUNTY TRANSPORTATION**

Staff Contact: Steve Adams (804-748-1037) adamsst@chesterfield.gov

#### **PARKS AND RECREATION**

Staff Contact: Stuart Connock (804-751-4484) connocks@chesterfield.gov

#### **SCHOOLS**

Staff Contact: Atonja Allen (804-318-8740) atonja allen@ccpsnet.net

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**

Staff Contact: Rebeccah Ward (804-748-1028) WardR@chesterfield.gov

This request will not impact these facilities.

## **CASE HISTORY**

Applicant Submittals			
7/9/19	Application submitted		

	Planning Commission		
9/17/19	Citizen Comments		
	No citizens spoke to this request		
	Recommendation – APPROVAL SUBJECT TO THE CONDITION IN ATTACHMENT 1		
	Motion: Sloan Second: Jones		
	AYES: Jackson, Freye, Jones, Sloan and Stariha		
The Board or consider this	f Supervisors on Wednesday, October 23, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m., will s request.		

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

## **CONDITION**

Note: The following condition is recommended by both the Planning Commission and staff.

The gross square footage of all accessory structures on the lot shall not exceed 2,048 square feet. (P)

## **SITE LAYOUT**

